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Dear Sir:

The following identified application has been examined by representatives of the Armed Services Patent Advisory Board under the provisions of 35 USC 181:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No: 10/052,108
Filed: 17 January 2002
Inventor(s) Robin E. O'Brien
Title: Hardened Automatic Synchronisation Scheme for ATM Cells

This is to notify you in accordance with 35 USC 181 that the publication or disclosure of the invention by the granting of a patent therefore would be detrimental to the national security.

The above application is modified to permit disclosure to such extent as may be duly authorized under any other issued by the United Kingdom patent office restricting disclosure of the subject matter.

It is accordingly requested that you order that the invention be kept secret and withhold the grant of a patent for such period as the national interest requires.

It is further requested that Secrecy order No. 2 issue. The security classification of this application is CONFIDENTIAL. Please send two copies of the Secrecy Order to United Kingdom.

Sincerely,

Diane R. Winter
Paralegal Specialist

cc: ASPAB
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